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## **NJMC to Award \$28,000 in College Scholarships**

**LYNDHURST, N.J.** – The New Jersey Meadowlands Commission (NJMC) will award \$2,000 scholarships to 14 college-bound students, one from each of the Meadowlands District Municipalities, through its 2009 Science Scholarship program. Eligible students can now apply for these scholarships through their high school guidance departments

“The NJMC is pleased to recognize students who have worked hard the past four years to build a strong foundation for their college education,” said Joseph Doria, Chairman of the NJMC and Commissioner of the State Department of Community Affairs. “These scholarships are just rewards for their sacrifice and dedication.”

Applicants for an NJMC scholarship must be accepted to college for the Fall 2009 semester, plan to major in a science-related field and maintain at least a B average. They must also have participated in a community service program and write a 500-word essay on the topic, “Why do you believe that science, technology and education are important to you, your family and your community?”

The scholarship program is open to public and private school students. Those who live in one of the 14 District Municipalities but attend schools in out-of-district towns are eligible to apply. Applications are available through high school guidance departments and must be submitted to the NJMC by the schools, postmarked by May 8. All questions should be directed to the guidance departments.

The NJMC has awarded \$132,000 to local students, including this year, since the scholarship program’s inception in 2005.

“Through its K-12 educational programming and weekend community programs, the NJMC provides science education opportunities for everyone,” said Robert Ceberio, Executive Director of the NJMC. “We hope that

our programs inspire young people to become the scientists of tomorrow, and through our scholarship program we are happy to help them get off to a strong start.”

The Meadowlands District Municipalities are Carlstadt, East Rutherford, Little Ferry, Lyndhurst, Moonachie, North Arlington, Ridgefield, Rutherford, South Hackensack, Teterboro, Jersey City, Kearny, North Bergen and Secaucus.

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